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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Detroit Free Press: Man being sued by Macomb County commissioner over slanderous robo-calls admits it was his voice on calls

"A Lake County man being sued by a Macomb County commissioner over slanderous robo-calls admitted Monday that it's his voice on the robo-call, but he said he did not effectuate the robo-calls."

[Full story](#)

Associated Press: Court center opens domestic violence exhibit

"The Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center is opening a new exhibit about domestic violence. The exhibit opening Tuesday in Lansing aims to use age-appropriate interactive features to educate young people about domestic violence, as well as what help is available and the role of the state's courts."

[Full story](#)

Cheboygan Daily Tribune: State Appeals Court upholds Brown's conviction

"The Michigan Court of Appeals upheld on Friday a jury's 2011 conviction of a Cheboygan woman sentenced to 12 to 40 years in prison for serious drug charges. Donna Rae Brown, now 46, was convicted of delivery of a controlled substance causing the Jan. 30, 2011 death of Heather Louise Wright."

[Full story](#)

Flint Journal: Genesee County Jail overcrowding emergency is over, sheriff says

"It took 42 days, but the overcrowding emergency at the Genesee County Jail is over -- for now, Sheriff Robert Pickell said Monday afternoon.... Judges worked to identify inmates who could have their sentences or bond reduced to help alleviate overcrowding. Pickell said his office worked closely with Genesee Chief Circuit Judge Richard Yuille and that Yuille was 'magnificent' throughout the process."

[Full story](#)

Grand Rapids Business Journal: State Supreme Court opens oral arguments to students

"An educational program for high school students has led to a real hearing by the Michigan Supreme Court at the Gerald R. Ford Museum this Thursday.... Oral arguments will be heard with 200 Kent County students in attendance, as part of the Supreme Court's Court Community Connections program."

[Full story](#)

Grand Rapids Press: Ottawa County candidates look to replace retiring Grand Haven District Judge Richard Kloote

"Assistant Ottawa County Prosecutor Craig Bunce and Vernon Helder, the attorney magistrate in Holland District Court, are seeking to replace retiring Grand Haven District Judge Richard Kloote in the Nov. 6 election."

[Full story](#)

Jackson Citizen Patriot: GOP candidates for Supreme Court visit Jackson Courthouse, calling themselves 'rule of law' judges

"Calling themselves 'rule of law' judges, two Michigan Supreme Court justices and a candidate for the court touted on Monday the importance of making decisions based on statutes and not personal opinions or affiliations.... [Colleen] O'Brien and Justices Stephen Markman and Brian Zahra were at the Jackson

County Courthouse on Monday as part of a three-day tour that will take them to courthouses in Fremont, Muskegon, Cadillac and elsewhere."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Muskegon Chronicle: Republican candidates for Michigan Supreme Court argue their case in Muskegon

[Full story](#)

Ludington Daily News: Candidates for probate judge, 101st District state House, sheriff in Tuesday forum at WSCC

"The Ludington Daily News, the Mason-Lake Bar Association and the local chapter of American Association of University Women are co-sponsoring a candidates forum Tuesday, Oct. 23 [from 7 to 9 p.m.] at the Center Stage Theater on the campus of West Shore Community College.... Featured will be the Mason County probate judge race between Nick Krieger and Jeff Nellis."

[Full story](#)

Macomb County Legal News: MDTC members 'Meet the Judges'

"The Michigan Defense Trial Counsel (MDTC) recently hosted its 'Meet the Judges' event at the Baronette Renaissance in Novi. Among those enjoying the evening were Michigan Court of Appeals Judge Mark Boonstra;... Michigan Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Kelly;... and Michigan Supreme Court Justice Brian Zahra."

[Full story](#)

Macomb County Legal News: Honoring those helping children in foster care

"The Foster Care Review Board today announced the recipients of its 2012 Child Welfare Awards, which recognize exceptional services to children and families in the state's child welfare system. Michigan Supreme Court Justice Mary Beth Kelly will present the awards at the FCRB's annual awards breakfast Nov. 9 at the Lexington Lansing Hotel."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

2012 Child Welfare Award Winners Announced Today; Foster Care Review Board recognizes honorees for helping children in foster care

[Press release](#)

The MiLW Blog: Women and the legal profession: A couple of notes on underrepresentation

"At MiLW, we're not too far removed from the afterglow of our recent Women in the Law event, so it's especially disappointing to let you know about a couple of recent items we came across that illustrate gender inequality in the profession."

[Full story](#)

The Oakland Press: 46th District Court judge candidate denies improper presidential endorsement

"Another judicial candidate has shown public support for a presidential candidate, but has made clear that it is not an endorsement. Bill Seikaly, a lawyer of 30 years, is running for a nonincumbent judge position in the 46th District Court in Southfield.... [Attorney Debra] Nance is his opponent in the election."

[Full story](#)

Three Rivers Commercial-News: County judicial races explored; Two races, two judgeships Today: District court

"Voters in St. Joseph County will have a rare opportunity Nov. 6: They will choose two judges, something that rarely (if ever) occurs due to a number of variables that factor into a judicial race (staggered terms, length of service, age of incumbents, incumbent decisions on re-running, etc.)."

[Full story](#)

WILX-TV(10)/Lansing: Race to the Michigan Supreme Court

"The race for three seats on the Michigan Supreme Court is competitive. Incumbent Republican Justices Stephen Markman and Brian Zahra banded with Republican candidate Judge Colleen O'Brien.... This race is nonpartisan and there are two seats for an eight-year term and one seat for a partial two-year term."

[Full story](#)

WJR 760 AM/Detroit: Justice Stephen Markman (3:22 minute podcast)

"Current Supreme Court Justice Stephen Markman tells Paul W. Smith [on October 19] why he believes he should be re-elected to the Supreme Court."

[Full story](#)

WJR 760 AM/Detroit: Justice Brian Zahra (3:08 minute podcast)

"Supreme Court Candidate & Current Supreme Court Justice Brian Zahra tells Paul W. Smith [on October 17] why the people of Michigan should re-elect him as a Supreme Court Justice."

[Full story](#)

WJR 760 AM/Detroit: Judge Colleen O'Brien (3:34 minute podcast)

"Colleen O'Brien, Candidate for Supreme Court Justice tells Paul W. Smith [on October 18] why she believes she should be elected to the State Supreme Court."

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